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Camden County Receives Grant for Water Quality Improvements

WOODBINE, GEORGIA – November 22, 2017 – The Camden County Board of Commissioners is pleased to announce the award of a \$204,375 Section 319 (h) Nonpoint Source Implementation Grant. The funds are provided by the US Environmental Protection Agency and are administered by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources–Environmental Protection Division (EPD). The grant funding will be used for septic system remediation and water quality improvements for Horsepen Creek in an effort to reduce pollutants in the St. Marys River.

“We are excited for the opportunity to work with the Georgia EPD on this project,” said County Administrator Steve Howard. “We value working with our partners, both locally and in the State of Georgia, to make a positive difference for Camden County.”



From left: Commissioner Lannie Brant, Grants Manager Julie Haigler, Commission Chair Jimmy Starline, St Marys Riverkeeper Rick Frey, Commissioner Ben Casey, and Commission Vice-Chair Chuck Clark

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Additionally, Camden County will join with the St. Marys Riverkeeper, the Georgia Department of Environmental Health, St. Marys River Management Committee, and the University of Georgia to complete this project. The total project cost, including in-kind services, is over \$375,000.

About GA Environmental Protection Division (EPD): A division of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, EPD is a state agency charged with protecting Georgia's air, land, and water resources through the authority of state and federal environmental statutes. These laws regulate public and private facilities in the areas of air quality, water quality, hazardous waste, water supply, solid waste, surface mining, underground storage tanks, and others. EPD issues and enforces all state permits in these areas and has full delegation for federal environmental permits except Section 404 (wetland) permits.

About Camden County: Located in the extreme southeast corner of Georgia, Camden County truly is "Georgia's Coastal Community of Choice." Originally formed in 1777, Camden County is best known for its rich history, natural scenic beauty and Southern hospitality. Our vision is helping to make this the best place to live by preserving and enhancing the history and quality of life, while promoting smart growth and providing an efficient, effective and responsive government.

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